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Lake County Initiates Construction Project on Peterson Road and Route 83 in Round Lake Park

ROUND LAKE PARK, IL – Construction is underway on a \$1.1 million improvement at Peterson Road and Illinois Route 83 in Round Lake Park. The project, scheduled for completion in 2003, will help significantly with morning and evening rush hour back-ups at the intersection by adding turn lanes and replacing the four-way stop signs at the intersection with traffic signals.

This is a Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funded project. Federal funds will pay for 80% of the project and local agencies will fund the remaining 20%, with Lake County and the Village of Round Lake Park contributing to the local funding.

To be eligible for CMAQ funds a project must demonstrate an air quality benefit. The Peterson Road and Illinois Route 83 project will serve to reduce congestion at the intersection thereby benefiting air quality in the area.

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Although the Illinois Department of Transportation is providing the federal funds for the project, Lake County officials, seeing the need for an improvement, took the initiative to move the project forward.

“It is important that the county and villages such as Round Lake Park work together to help alleviate traffic congestion because the issue affects all of our residents,” Lake County Board Member and Public Works and Transportation Committee Chairman Diana O’Kelly said regarding the project. “We were also able to stretch taxpayers’ dollars by securing federal

For further information, please visit the Division of Transportation on the Lake County Web site, located at www.co.lake.il.us. The Lake County Division of Transportation serves county residents and visitors by, among other things, planning, constructing, maintaining and working to improve the county transportation infrastructure.

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